May 12, 1932.

Mr. Charles F. Bailey,
Hotel Frederick,
140 American Avenue,
Long Beach, Cal.

Dear Mr. Bailey:

You have been for these many years such a good friend and I was delighted to receive this letter from you.

I think I recall the check you sent December 5th and I know I remember the letter. We will have the matter of Mr. Saunders' subscription looked into and if error has been made it will be corrected. In handling so many we do make mistakes occasionally.

Yours with kindest regards,

WCR*E

John Bendelow
Minister
Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

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Rev W Courtland Robinson
Editor The Presbyterian
1217 Market St
Philadelphia Penn

Dear Brother Robinson

608 Prospect
Hot Springs
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I was indeed sorry to note that one whom you described, in a very kindly way, had the effrontery to speak of the Presbyterian as very dull. It is indeed obvious that this ones quest and finding describes the man.

I would be grieved to miss your excellent paper. Excellent things therein are spoken. And your own and other contributions are indeed a feast of fat things. "Be not weary in well doing."

Yours very truly

John Bendelow Prison Chaplain

May 10, 1932.

Rev. John Bendelow,
608 Prospect,
Hot Springs, Ark.

Dear Mr. Bendelow:

May I thank you most heartily for your postal card just received. Words sent like that encourage me more than I can possibly tell you. I expect I am not quite the temperament to be an editor as I have not a very thick skin. I appreciate your thoughtfulness exceedingly.

Yours very truly,

WCR*E

Dear Dr Robinson;-

Thank you for the note of May 4th.,relative to the article on "Assembly Loyalty".My article is long,and I relaize that your space before the Assembly is taken.

A number of our ministers are agreed that something ought to be said along this line,as the radical pacifists seem to have captured the Assembly's machinery as far as the Government and war of any kind are concerned.Dr. C.C.Adams,Dr.McMillan and a number have expressed to me their feelings.Could you not,before the Assembly meets,print the Confession of Faith on this question?

"It is lawful for Christians to accept and execute the office of a magistrate,when called thereunto;in the managing whereof,as they ought to manitain especially piety,justice and peace,according to the wholesome laws of each commonwealth:so for that end ,they may lawfully,now under the New Testament,wage war upon just and necessary occasions". Con.23: pp2.

Encouraged by our Presbyterian resolutions last year(and other similar acts by religious bodies),and urged on by organizations hostile to our Republican system,one tenth of the Protestant ministers of Ohio met and solemnly affirmed that <u>they would not support our Governemt in any event of war</u>.

These men may all escape the consequences of such potential disloyalty but such resolutions spell "Leavenworth!" to foolish young men in the future.Who wil be to blame for it?

Only an item from your editorial pen would make some leaders think.

most fraternally yours,

May 5th.1932

John Talmadge Berger

May 5, 1932.

Rev. David de Forest Burrell, D.D.,
116 East 3rd Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

Dear Dr. Burrell:

Your letter received this morning. We can make the change which you desire in your article which I expect will be printed next week in the Commissioners' Number, a copy of which will be sent to every commissioner reported to us.

I have learned that Dr. Wm. Hallock Johnson is to be presented. He is a dear friend of mine but I have just written him that I am for you in spite of my great friendship and admiration for him. He is a good man in every way.

I presume that Reid Dickson has told you far more than I can but I understand that Kerr of Tulsa, Vance of Detroit, and perhaps McDowell are to be presented. Kerr will be the formidable one but I think the fact that he is on the General Council is an argument against him. Because of location he will have much favor though I think that is the weakest of all arguments.

I wish you well and I think you are wise in making no general effort. Few can tell what the Assembly will do and I certainly cannot predict. I believe that Hugh Kerr for whom Charles Kerr stepped aside and nominated two years ago, and Speer and Mudge and Stone will do all they can for the Tulsa man. The effect of their work will be very large for they are masters in that sort of thing. It was told me as a rumor (I do not know its truth) that the arrangement was made between Charles Kerr and Hugh Kerr two years ago for this to come about. I say again I have no proof of that at all but I heard it said.

I certainly hope you will be successful. Your run last year was very remarkable. Your difficulty is to get the right man to present you. Reid Dickson is dead against having Mark Matthews do it. He knows more than I do but I thought that Matthews would do well. He is always very popular in public speech and usually effective. It is said he always demands return for his

favor but of that I am ignorant. May the Lord be with us all in the result.

Yours most cordially,

WCR*E

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May 4, 1932

My dear Dr. Robinson:—

Dr. McEwan seems to think my article on "Rebuilding" is good, but he advises rewriting the first paragraph. My secretary being absent, and time limited, I enclose a pencilled draft of a new paragraph. Of course, I expect you to use your own judgment as to printing the article at all.

Dr. McEwan suggests that, if printed, it be put in as early an issue as possible and marked copies mailed to all commissioners. If you think this wise, my Session stands ready to foot the bill — only, make it as easy on us as you can, as funds are scarce!

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This would be about my only publicity. I agree with you that we ought to do little electioneering. I am writing a few old friends, but asking no pledges. Some very encouraging letters have come in, — a few fine ones from the west, which pleases me greatly.

With warmest regards,
As always,
D B Burrell

May 4, 1932.

Rev. John Tallmadge Bergen,
1601 N. Morgan Avenue,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Dr. Bergen:

I am always glad to receive printed and written matter from you. I have your article relative to the loyalty of the next Assembly. I am very fearful that we cannot find space for it as our Commissioners' Number and General Assembly Number are both already filled with abundance of material. I know you will understand that this is no disparagement of your writing but is due to the necessity of the case.

Yours most sincerely,

WOR*E

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April 30, 1932

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I send herewith an article drawn from my address to the Council of Elders Association a few days ago. It sums up my idea of a conservative platform for the Church. In it I try to show how in both doctrine and polity we have been erecting a false structure on a Presbyterian foundation. If you think it good enough to print, it occurs to me that it would be very helpful in my campaign for the moderatorship if it could be printed in the number that will reach the commissioners at the Assembly. If that is not practicable, possibly you might use it in an earlier number and let my Session have reprints of it made, which they would mail to the commissioners. I am sending a second copy to Dr. McEwan and asking him his judgment of these suggestions. I do this not because I think he might override you, but because he has, more than any other one man, been responsible for my running.

I have your letter about the necessity for funds. I have been seeking them and have good prospects but nothing yet in hand. That the money will come I have no doubt. For the past few months I have been carrying insurance premiums and other obligations for several other people, as well as for myself, and I am absolutely strapped for another month to come. After that I can help. I expect to have some checks to send you within a few days.

There is some find stuff in your latest number. Keep it up. You have shown a mighty fine spirit in your attitude during these hard days.

With affectionate regards,

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Rev. W. Courtland Robinson D.D.,
Editor The Presbyterian
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson -

Will you pardon my delay in replying to your kind letter.

In addition to a great pressure of affairs, which I always have, - or have had illness.

I read with deep interest your letter, & am distressed at your anxiety.

My Father, Infose us, and now Mr. Bates & I watch for the coming of the Presbyterian! I too feel that it must live, to bear forward the Standards of our God & Saiour — Jesus Christ!

These are sad and troublous times.

MRS. ONWARD BATES
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Unfortunately you are in error as to my financial ability. I am sure too, that you are, one pressed intensely and continually by numberless demands, while the already assumed responsibilities are difficult to meet.

I am deeply sorry for the conditions that bring hardship to so many, and particularly that you than personally seem among

those deshuted.

MRS. ONWARD BATES
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Will you allow me to show my good will toward the Presby Serian in a very small way, by the inclosed check of $15.00/100. I wish it were more.

I have appreciated your publishing my verses, — as I trust to less someone —

I have been deeply touched by the letters about this last poem, some assuring me —

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MRS. ONWARD BATES
BETH-SHEAN
934 JOHN'S ROAD, AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

- who have received them - that they keep the verses near them & read them constantly. Some have had them framed. I long to comfort some heart, - to lead some soul to Christ. - Yours & Miss McKenny - I almost envy in your rich field of influence.

I wish we might have the pleasure of meeting you, & of again seeing Miss McKenny. Please remember me to her and Miss Jim - Very truly yours.

Virginia C. Beckwith Bates

May 3, 1932.

Rev. David de Forest Burrell, D.D.,
1325 Walnut Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

My dear Burrell,

I was in Delhi when I received your telegram which was forwarded to me. The news had not been sent me previously. I am exceedingly gratified. I do not know what the result will be as I have no ability in prophecy. I know I would be most delighted to see you elected and I am willing to do anything I can to forward it. I have wondered whether notice in THE PRESBYTERIAN would help or hinder. I have an editorial comment prepared which I think will not harm in any way.

I think I am correct in saying that Dr. Foulkes is not going from Newark. If that be true I think your way will be smoother. Dr. Rogers of Kansas City is being pushed by the Western people. I do not think they are doing it unduly or with great pressure but still they are promoting it. The location will be the tremendous hindrance to your candidacy. To my mind it is absurd but it is not to many of the Assembly.

I am not a skillful promoter of such things, but I have my doubts about the wisdom of your writing very widely for aid. I would write to Mark Matthews and get his help if you can but the Assembly will, in my opinion, be very sensitive about promotion. I think we better leave it in the hands of the Lord. I want to assure you of my very earnest desire that you be elected.

Yours most sincerely,

WCR*E

May 3, 1932.

Mrs. Onward Bates,
Beth-Shean,
934 John's Road,
Augusta, Ga.

Dear Mrs. Bates:

Permit me to thank you most sincerely for your letter with its enclosure. It is certainly very helpful at this critical time. We find that so many who are accustomed to aid good causes are unable to under this depression. We thank you for what you have done and appreciate even more your kind and encouraging words. We have had some responses and for the present are going on. Whether we can weather the storm or not is yet to be seen.

Dr. Ethelbert Warfield wrote us concerning you and told of your deep interest but said he knew nothing of your financial condition. We have plenty of good friends and we have a feeling that if our condition be known we will receive enough to carry us over but of that we are not certain.

I thank you most sincerely. We have enjoyed publishing your poems and feel they have been a real addition to our columns.

Most sincerely yours,

WCR*E

April 14, 1932.

Rev. David de Forest Burrell, D.D.,
1325 Walnut Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

My dear Burrell,

Yesterday you said to me after the meeting that some of the Directors wanted me to stay and some did not. Laird, with whom I have just had lunch, tells me that you said the same to him. Now, I would be very glad to know who is who. I do not blame you for making the statement and cherish nothing but the warmest feelings of affection for you. I have to see you moderator of the General Assembly but I am very curious. Dr. McEwan has told me again and again that he was with me one hundred percent. Mr. Harbison and Mr. Crutchfield have both said the same thing. I am not sure about Mr. Monro but I have this to say -- I offered my resignation in good faith last November and again yesterday and if any man on that Board of Directors voted to continue me against his judgment or his wish, he was not frank and manly as a Christian should be.

I lay no claim to being a great editor but I know I have done as well as any man could have done in the trying situation that was left by Dr. Craig. I think I can say I have been a better editor for the cause of conservatism than he or even Dr. Kennedy whom I admire very greatly.

Now, if the Directors want me to get out let them say so. I have had a suspicion all along but every time I am smoothed over with pleasant resolutions. If you know the man or men who want me to step out of the editor's chair, please give me the name.

I do not know what the future has in store. My opinion is that there will be some union with The Banner but I am very much opposed to taking it to Pittsburgh. I think that would be a colossal blunder.

I have for you, my dear friend, the warmest regard and in writing this letter I am seeking information and not giving a vent to feeling.

Yours most cordially,

Wyomissing Club
Reading, Pa.

Dear Robby:-

Your letter was a joy to me.

Jack's going was expected and more or less prepared for, but the sense of loss, I wasn't prepared for. It is devastating.

I suspected but didn't know the place he had made in the esteem of this city. The editorials in the local papers and the resolutions of Boards of Directors, et cetera were not just casual notices of his death, but remarkably fine appreciations of his qualities and his works. Albany knew him.

Though not a College man, his tastes were fine and his knowledge of the best in literature surpassed my knowledge. The State Teachers College in Albany conferred the degree of A. M. some years ago, which was as remarkable as deserved.

With warm regards for your loyal self, and your warm heart to us-wards,

Affectionately,

Bob.

April 11, 1902.

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April 6, 1932

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I find that the Joint Committee on Union has made several important changes in the basis of union. My article on Union is therefore not up-to-date. I wish you would kindly return it to me for revision. The changes made by the Committee seem to me at first glance to be such as will throw a sop to the liberals and then a sop to the conservatives. Rather a ridiculous performance, it would seem.

I was greatly distressed at not being able to attend the meeting of the Board of the Presbyterian yesterday but it was imperative that I be in Williamsport. I happen to be a member of important committees of Presbytery that met morning and evening. I could not be away.

Some of the men of my Presbytery seem to have their minds made up to send me to the Assembly. They are doing so, or course, in the hope that I may be nominated again. I am not yet convinced that I ought to be. I would dearly love to go to the Assembly but I am not sure I would dearly love to let my name be used again.

With warmest regards.

Faithfully yours,

David DeForest Burrell

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March 23, 1932.

Editor,
The Presbyterian,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Brother Editor:

On February 24 the Layman Company sent you a communication headed "Standing in the Church Breadline," which purported to be by a J. C. Jackson. I am humiliated to have to admit that this Jackson, whoever he is, victimized us by putting over on us this article as his own, when in fact it was written by Bruce Barton a number of years ago.

If you have not yet printed the article, will you please destroy it? There is just enough difference between the Jackson version and the Barton original, so that it could not be printed as by Bruce Barton, though a word for word comparison shows that the material was deliberately stolen.

The incident, of course, is seriously embarrassing to the Layman Company, and I am writing at the earliest possible moment to apologize, and to ask that, if you have intended to use the article, you will not do so.

Sincerely yours,

Dan B. Brummitt

DBB:OM

Editor The Presbyterian

Dear Sir,

Your last number with the article on Overhead by Welker is very opportune and timely; if something is not done about this at the General Assembly meeting in Denver, I believe receipts next year will be even more in the red than right now. And we are loyal to the Boards too; it may be they will have some explanation. One story is good until another is told.

Have just returned from a trip to New York and visited my old stamping grounds anticipating a good time; but man proposes and God disposes. I was taken down with Broncho pneumonia and shut up for two weeks in the Presbyterian Hospital, that wonderful medical center on Broadway and 168th St; combining the Sloan's Maternity Hospital, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons, etc. From the roof of the thirty eight story building can be seen a good part of New Jersey, the $60 000 000. George Washington Bridge, the Empire State building, the Riverside Baptist Church, Union Seminary, Grants Tomb, Columbia College and St.John's Cathedral and New York's sky line.

Visited my old home church, the West-Park as it is now called on 86th and Amsterdam Ave. I also visited the new Church of Rev. Dr.Kuebler who has been forty one years in the same charge; the First Church of Hackensack will celebrate its one hundredth anniversary, the first week in April, Rev. Henry Sloan Coffin D.D. will preach the Centenary address, and start the celebration. Dr.Kuebler took me to see the Orange Church, built under the ministry of Rev.Dr.Mc Quilkin, formerly pastor in Cheyenne; both churches had the same architect and are the last word in Church and Sunday School equipment: one of the prominent elders in the Orange Church is the son of E.P.Wells,one of the first ministers of Cheyenne under Sheldon Jackson's pioneer work, Grayham C.Wells, who is New York representative of the Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia; his brother Ralph Wells is a missionary in Shanghai China, in the danger zone; his niece, Margaret Wells is head nurse in one of the departments of the Medical Center mentioned above, her father a missionary also ~~in~~ of China; you cannot tell me that minister's children dont make good.

H.W.B.

Dear Dr.Robinson,

You can print the above if you care to do so; need not mention my name . I sent an article to the Presbyterian once which was printed in full; the Executive in Wyoming romped all over me, saying such an article hurts the Board; but the evil was corrected nevertheless. I dont see that he has accomplished much in the eight years he has been in Wyoming, costing the Board (More overhead) $4000. a year to maintain his office. He hates the Presbyterian and swears by the Advance. I think if the Synod of Wyoming has an opportunity to vote on his office next Fall meeting at Rawlins Wyo. it will be discontinued; he let that Church organized by Sheldon Jackson go without a minister for a year and a half, and allowed Baptist Church to start without protest; I took a minister to the field and introduced him and he has made it self-supporting from the first month I pried the church doors open, expecting to be called down for doing so for it was out of my Presbytery territory. Now the pastor has invited Synod to meet with him in Oct. and the field is flourishing,no thanks to the Executive.

Henry W.Bainton

Henry W. Bainton

Quincy Ill. Mar 31/32

April 1, 1932.

Miss Anna Burger,
252 E. 33rd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Burger:

I have been handed the note which you wrote in sending your subscription for a half year. I am glad that so much in THE PRESBYTERIAN meets your commendation.

Regarding the quotations in "A Thought A Day" I do not select them. I did for a long time but have not done so for a month or more. I think you are a little exacting in criticising quotations from such men as Dr. Jefferson and Dr. Van Dyke. I have no sympathy with the theological views of either of them although I remember Dr. Van Dyke's very masterly defense of the Virgin Birth of Jesus and his great answer to Charles W. Elliott many years ago while preaching in Germantown. Dr. Elliott had announced a new religion and Dr. Van Dyke had the ability to answer him completely. I recognize, however, that both these men count themselves liberals but it is not to be denied that each has said many good and valuable things and to quote them is not to endorse all their position. It would be absurd for a Republican, let us say, to refuse to quote any fine statement of Woodrow Wilson because he was a Democrat. Even liberals have said some good things.

I hope that this explanation will be satisfactory to you.

Yours most sincerely,

WCR*E

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Thanking you for your interest and support, we are,

Very sincerely yours,

THE PRESBYTERIAN.

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March 30th 1982

The Presbyterian
[illegible] Market St
Philadelphia Pa

Dear Editor — Please find enclosed one dollar and twenty five cents for [illegible] [illegible] subscription to the Presbyterian. I read it enjoy it and give it away to a family of six — four children —

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March 31, 1932.

Mrs. Onward C. Bates,
934 John's Road,
Augusta, Ga.

Dear Mrs. Bates:

It has been our privilege to print some of your writings and I am taking the great liberty of interceding with you in behalf of THE PRESBYTERIAN.

Because of financial reverses Mr. William Albert Harbison of New York who has been our supporter for many thousands every year, is unable to keep up that work. He is financially in very serious straits. THE PRESBYTERIAN has $5,000 of indebtedness immediately pressing and we need someone to underwrite us for about $12,000 to keep going. Mr. Crowell has been a very generous giver contributing $7500 last year but he says he cannot continue to give so much but will give something. He and Mr. Harbison have done the most. Mrs. Thaw always gave us $5,000 a year in her lifetime but her estate does not continue it. Mrs. Benedict who became Mrs. Manson also gave generously each year.

I believe that THE PRESBYTERIAN has a great mission and that it would be a terrible loss for it to cease. It would mean that the liberal elements of the Church would take complete control. As to my own editorship, there may be various opinions. Many call me too mild but I know that we have gained the support of many conservatives. Some who are interested in Westminster Seminary have been very loyal to us though Dr. Machen and Dr. Craig are very bitter against us.

I write all these things to lay the facts before you. Of course, we would be very happy if you could send an immediate contribution and perchance give assurance of something to sustain us for the fiscal year which begins tomorrow. I hope you will not think this presumptuous but I am writing to you as a Christian who, I am told, is interested in THE PRESBYTERIAN. I am told that you also have some means that may be used in good causes. Everybody is pressing

hard these times and you know your own circumstances. We must have $5,000 right away and some assurance for the ensuing twelve months. We are trusting in the Lord and making bold to speak to some of his servants in our emergency. To me personally it means nothing except that I have had no salary for a long time and have no means on which to live. I am not eager to retain the editorship if a better one can be found. Indeed, I resigned last November but the Directors asked me to continue.

I thank you for reading this letter and I hope that it will lead you to give us some aid.

Yours most sincerely,

WCR*E

March 28, 1932.

Rev. David deForrest Burrell, D.D.,
1325 Walnut Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

My dear Dr. Burrell:

I am very anxious for something to materialize at the next Assembly. I am too poor a politician to make predictions but I have had some letters indicating that some people are thinking of you. Having run last year gives you a little advantage. I do think that coming from Pennsylvania will be a hindrance. It has been suggested in the office that I boom you in an editorial comment. I doubt the wisdom of that very much for if you are to run it must be as it was last year -- as a sort of spontaneous action wherein will lie your strength.

Like you, I feel very warmly disposed toward Dr. McQuilkin. I think he would be admirable from every point of view and I would be strongly for him but we must not get both your names out in the open for you would split the forces. That would not be wise. One or the other and not both must run. Dr. MacLennan does not appeal to me at all. He made a poor impression last year and his speech here in Philadelphia was not well received. Mark Matthews wrote me about him sometime ago but said that he doubted if he had the proper material. I think we should eliminate him. I hope from the bottom of my heart that you will be the successor to Dr. Mudge. I would put Dr. McQuilkin as my second choice but my political instinct is too poor to be relied upon. I am speaking from my personal choice and not from my political wisdom. I hope your presbytery will send you in any event and I further hope that which I said before -- that if you are not nominated you will not nominate anyone else. I believe it would be poor policy for you to do so. In that sentiment one or two others have agreed with me. I judge from conversations with a few that Westminster influence will not be much of an asset to any man. If it is known that Dr. Craig or Dr. Machen favor a particular man I think he would lose votes. Outside of the little

Princeton circle there is not much interest in Westminster among those who will go to the Assembly.

As to THE PRESBYTERIAN, the Directors must meet very soon for I cannot stand in this rather uncertain position much longer. I may say to you that I think though I do not know that Dr. Craig and Mr. Harbison are negotiating with the idea that Craig will pay the debts but several on the Board of Directors will oppose Dr. Craig's taking charge. Dr. McEwan has written me to that effect. Greenway has said so. Laird has not defined his position clearly but I think inclines against him. If Dr. Craig would come in and use his splendid ability more moderately I think it would be a fine thing for THE PRESBYTERIAN. I admire him very greatly and theologically I agree with him to the last letter. As to his methods, I think that he has done harm both to Princeton Seminary and the conservative cause though his intention was of the very best. The trouble is he does not act freely. He will be all right until Dr. Machen takes him in hand and he transforms him. I am writing to you very frankly and of course confidentially. As to myself, I have no zeal one way or the other except to maintain THE PRESBYTERIAN as a conservative paper which is needed now as it never was before. I lack so many things that I can see the value of another editor. I certainly will not be left in the position of holding the bag without more financial sustenance ~~that~~ than I have received. I have had no salary for many months and that is a serious matter with me.

Yours very sincerely,

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March 26, 1932

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

Your letter of March 25th is both interesting and disturbing.

As to the General Assembly, I am very anxious to go, not with any ambition for the moderatorship, but with a very deep desire to be of service both in helping to nominate the right man and in assisting in the opposition to some of the proposals before the Assembly. In confidence, let me say that the Stated Clerk of Presbytery, the Rev. William C. Watson, of Williamsport, told me the other day that if there was a chance of my being nominated for the moderatorship or being intimately connected with the important matters before the Assembly, he would urge my election as a commissioner. I told him frankly what the situation was as far as I knew it. I would be willing to run if the saner conservatives, East and West, thought it the best thing to do. I still feel, however, that it might be better to go out of Pennsylvania and even out of the East for our candidate. The one man in the East of whom I have been thinking very seriously is the man you mention, McQuilkin, of Orange. I do not know of a more devoted conservative or a more saintly Christian man than he. And as to his being an easten man, we ought to remember that he came to Orange from the Pacific coast, where he is welknown and greatly loved. I think you are right about Foulkes, unless the inner ring has become afraid to nominate him. In that case, I have reason to believe that they will nominate a Foreign missionary who might be acceptable to all parties. From what I have heard, however, I think they have gone too far with Foulkes to retreat. For well over a year it has been understood in certain quarters that he is to be nominated this year. At last year's Assembly he told me that events on that occasion had complicated matters for him. Incidentally, Dr. Haster told me I had upset his apple cart.

The only man in the West who has seemed to me a real possibility is Stewart MacLennan, of Hollywood. Whether his Presbytery would send him again I do not know, but I think they would. As for me, I shall be only too glad to support either McQuilkin or MacLennan. I shall be interested to know the result of the letters I suspect you are writing and receiving by way of sounding men out.

What you say about The Presbyterian is disturbing. Like you, I am with Craig absolutely in the matter of theological conviction, but I can not agree with all his methods. I have had uncomfortable personal experience of the way in which he handles those who do not agree with him 100 per cent. It would

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be a genuine sorrow to me to know that you were out of your editorial position, and a still greater sorrow if you were removed from all connection with The Presbyterian. Since you took hold, the paper has improved notably in many respects. There are, of course, weak spots still, but it would take a remarkable professional editor to correct them. I personally have felt very comfortable over the Presbyterian during the past two or three years. I suppose that nothing definite will be done about Craig without a meeting of the directors. That would seem to be the proper course.

I shall not forget what you say about supplying our pulpit. I do not yet know just what we shall do during my month's vacation. There is a possibility that the Church might be closed for that period. I hope not. If there is an opportunity I shall ask the committee to invite you.

With warmest regards.

Faithfully yours,

David DeForest Burrell

March 25, 1932.

Rev. David De Forrest Burrell, D.D.,
116 E. Third Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

Dear Dr. Burrell:

Dr. Matthews and several others are sending us important articles just now. I think they will have to be printed before this which you now send me. We have a limited space. I have not read your article as yet but I have full confidence in it. Your article on the General Council was by far the best thing I have seen.

I am wondering how matters are turning in your presbytery. Are you to be sent as commissioner this year? Someone has written me suggesting Dr. McQuilkin. He would be splendid. In my judgment , no better than you but not being in Pennsylvania might be an aid to him. I heard from some source that Dr. Foulkes is to run. Dr. McQuilkin would be a good foil to him and I think would beat him. Our trouble will be very largely in the West though, personally, I think geography should have nothing whatever to do with it.

Of course, you know the critical position in which THE PRESBYTERIAN is just now. We have $5,000 of debts which must be taken care of very soon. Mr. Pew sent us a thousand dollars which afforded us relief for two or three weeks but the paper supply company had refused to send us paper but now I think they will send it along. I do not understand why Dr. McEwan or Mr. Monro do not call a meeting of the Directors which I think is absolutely imperative, at once. I am left here holding the bag and it is not a very pleasant position. I think I can tell you confidentially that there has been some talk about Dr. Craig assuming the debts and coming back. That might not be so bad although I have not been sympathetic to all his methods. Theologically I am with him absolutely but I do not want to drive away conservatives. I do not know what he and Mr. Harbison are planning but they have had negotiations. I, of course, expect to retire from the

editorship as Dr. Craig would not want me though personally we are very friendly and I do not want to carry the burden alone as I have been doing this winter. I am writing to you very frankly though I do not know what the Directors will decide to do. I would be very happy if sufficient place could be made for me to have say a thousand dollars a year as I have limited resources and cannot live without some help of that kind.

I have just received an invitation to supply Dr. McQuilkin's pulpit August 14th. I do not know whether your church employs supplies during the summer or not. I am very anxious to see you and I may tell you that my regard for you has grown steadily since last May. I think you have the right amount of grit and the proper theological attitude and with all a grace that does not cause you to speak too violently and drive off those who are really conservative.

Very cordially yours,

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March 23, 1932

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I enclose an article on the proposed union. I do not suggest its being printed unless you are convinced that it is substantially correct. I have gone over and over all the documents in the case and can reach no other conclusion than that embodied in this article. If you think you are getting too much Burrell in your columns, and would prefer to work up this same material into editorial form (if you agree with it), that will suit me. All I want is to get the facts before the Church.

Faithfully yours,

David DeForest Burrell

P.H. Box 4
Oriental Branch
London

March 21, 1932.

Editor
The Presbyterian
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Robinson: I have received a card from you stating that the 4 articles that I submitted March 18 were received, but you inform me that you do not pay money for articles. That being the case, I am obliged to request you to return them.

Yours truly L. C. Breed

Columbia S. C.
March 16th 1932

Rev. W. C. Robinson, D. D.
Philadelphia Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

Please accept my hearty thanks for your kindness to put a notice about me in "The Presbyterian" of Feb. 18th. I appreciate your interest and helpfulness.

But you are a great man of God, heroic in every good work; and your life and your good paper have been a great source of blessing, and you can do great things always.

Hoping that I will have the pleasure of meeting you some times in the future.

May He continue to use you for His glory and strengthen your noble heart always.

With many thanks,

Yours in His service
Yosif Benyamin

Written from New Orleans La.

March 17, 1932.

Rev. David de Forrest Burrell, D.D.,
1325 Walnut Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

Dear Dr. Burrell:

I have your letter and your article. I have not read the latter but I think I will be able to follow you most anywhere.

It is doubtless true that we conservatives must take a more decided stand. I do not think we gain much by allowing personalities to enter in.

I am glad you are endeavoring to get some support for THE PRESBYTERIAN. Your father did have one share of stock in THE PRESBYTERIAN and it would be well to have it transferred to you. Of course, it is worth nothing financially but it will enable you to vote at the stockholders' meeting which may sometime be important. If it be possible I would have it transferred and notice sent to Mrs. M. Y. Horn who keeps the books. We must have a meeting very soon and I think it will tell what is to come in the future.

I thank you very cordially for your friendship and your willingness to be with us.

Most sincerely yours,

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Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I enclose an article which may appear to you to be too highly tempered. It expresses, however, what is my conviction as to the out-and-out modernists in the Church. The incidents mentioned have actually taken place recently in my hearing. It seems to me that the time is ripe for the great body of conservatives in the Church to cease acting on the defensive and take the offensive. We shall never regain control of the Church until we do. If this article has too strong a flavor, send it back.

I expect to lay hands shortly on two or three people who will interest themselves in being financial and moral backers of The Presbyterian. Would it be any advantage for me to own my father's stock in the Company? I do not know how much it is, but my sister writes me that there is some of it among the securities in his estate. If I want it, my sisters will make it over to me.

With warm regards.

Faithfully yours,

David D. Forest Burrell

MEMORIAL HOME COMMUNITY
PENNEY FARMS, FLORIDA

March 9th 1932

Editors of The Presbyterian -
Philadelphia, Pa -

Dear Sirs - Would you please insert the enclosed copy, in The Presbyterian, at your earliest convenience and send bill for the same to me, at address below - I am not familiar with the method of procedure, so cannot enclose check, but will do so promptly, when notified of amount - also please send six (6) copies of that issue to me - included in bill -

Please publish it - as contributed article, not as an obituary if that is all right -

Very respectfully Yours
Mrs J. N. Boyd
Box 294 - Penney Farms
Florida

March 14, 1932.

Rev. Roy T. Brumbaugh, D.D.,
First Presbyterian Church,
Tacoma, Wash.

Dear Dr. Brumbaugh:

There are two ways by which the amount due from a church is alloted. There is an assessment for presbytery, synod and General Assembly expenses. This assessment is based upon the reported membership of each church. I do not recall the exact amount per member. That is a direct assessment.

In addition, the General Council makes up the budget for the missionary and benevolent work and this in turn by their experts is appropriated to synods and in turn again to presbyteries and each presbytery I think has a committee which assigns a definite amount to each church. That is an apportion. The benevolent offerings are within the control of the church and may be sent wherever the session pleases. In case you refuse to pay the assessment I believe there are some penalties that are attached. I do not know just what they are but there is some penalty. I hope I have made myself clear. You might write directly to the office of the stated clerk and I think they would give you a full and courteous answer.

I quite agree with you that the amount of the assessment is altogether too high but it is astonishing to note the way the General Assembly will pass it with a whoop. I have never seen a recommendation for increased expense seriously questioned in General Assembly. I think it may be this year but it will be a novelty if it is. I am strongly of the opinion that the Church machinery costs altogether too much.

Yours most sincerely,

WCR*E

THE PRESBYTERY OF HURON

REV. L. CARMON BELL
STATED CLERK AND TREASURER

HURON, S.D.

Mch. 10, 1932

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D. D.,
Philadelphia, Penn'a.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

A word of explanation seems proper of the appearance in The Advance of an article by me on Overture D on the same date that you printed the article on A, B, C, and followed by an article on the 3rd on A and C.

Owing to the lapse of time from the date I had mailed the article to you, I concluded that it was not entirely aceeptable, or that you did not wish to publish any thing further. As I felt strongly that attention should be drawn to what seemed the mistake of submitting these overtures I wrote on D - rewrote after considerable more study, and submitted to Dr. Clarke early in Feb. He declined the article on account of space, but invited me to write a brief article. I did that. It reached him just as he received three long articles from "the committee." (Doubtless you received the same.) He told Dr. Brookes that he must treat all alike, and would print them after condensing. When writing me thus he remarked that he wished he had an article from some other part of the country to go along side the third "committee" article. In spite of the restriction I submitted one, which he quite readily accepted. All of this was done before The Presbyterian of Feb. 25 reached any one in Huron. As there was considerable difference in the treatment I made no effort to withdraw the 2nd article.

I was pleased, as were others, at your printing of the article. The type arrangement, and the 10 point type, give it all the advantage it deserved.

At various times I have been moved to speak of the impression made by The Presbyterian in its editorial columns. I mean the richness and variety of pastoral experience which constantly mark them. While one would say at once, and truly, that the value of the paper to pastors is thus greatly increased, this very quality makes it of special value to church officers and members. It fits the needs of church people, whether standing in the pulpit or sitting in the pew, and especially so that the views expressed have been edged on the hone of experience. In the hands of preacher and people, it must prove a source of mutual strength.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

L. Carmon Bell

First Presbyterian Church

Tacoma, Washington

REV. ROY T. BRUMBAUGH, D. D.
PASTOR

March 11th, 1932

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson,
THE PRESBYTERIAN,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Dr. Robinson:-

Every year the individual church is required to pay to the Presbytery an amount equal to thirty cents per member. This, I understand, is an apportionment and not an assessment. Being an apportionment, I suppose that it should come out of the Benevolence fund.

If the church is not meeting Current Expenses and is just able to meet the Benevolence apportionment, what can be done to the church which does not believe in paying this thirty cents per head apportionment? This money is used to grease the denominational machine in which we do not believe. We are supporting a denominational college, two missionaries on the home field and one on the foreign field, plus the partial support of several home and foreign missionaries and missions.

Will you, therefore, tell me whether I am right in assuming: First, that this is an apportionment and not an assessment; Second, if an apportionment, it ought to be taken out of the Benevolence fund; Third: if the choice be between the support of missionaries on the home and foreign fields with the support of an evangelical college on one side, and the payment of this apportionment to grease the ecclesiastical machine on the other side, are we not right in choosing to support missions and missionaries and an educational institution in which we believe?

This is a personal letter and I am enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope for the reply, which I would appreciate.

Thanking you for this information and help, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Roy Talmage Brumbaugh

RTB:W
Encl.

March 11, 1932.

Rev. T. J. Buckton,
Osakis,
Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Buckton:

Your letter is received and I thank you for it. I could find many ways in which I think our denominational expenses could be decreased. They piled up very rapidly during the days of prosperity but like other enterprises the collapse has made many problems. Thank you for writing me.

Yours very sincerely,

WCR*E

Presbyterian Church
T. J. BUCKTON, Pastor
Osakis, Minn.

"The Presbyterian."
Philadelphia, Pa.

Mar 9, 1932

Dear Sirs:

Your issue of Mar 3 was the best ever. I'm glad to note the courage you have in taking a crack at the trustees. They are mainly responsible for holding the church back. Why not get rid of all the godless bankers too that govern our affairs on many church boards?

I'm writing to add that in addition to George Greig's "Reduction of Overhead Expense", we do away with The General Assembly's Vacancy & Supply dept We'd save $8318.67. It is a useless Bureau. I spent a year looking for another charge - and all they did to help was to send out stale & false lists of vacant churches - they even refused to correct them when I sent proofs that the churches they listed did not want a pastor. You are on the right track too for smaller assemblies. Keep on tugging away & soon we'll have the useless tops & over growth falling to the ground.

Yours sincerely
T. J. Buckton.

March 2, 1932.

Rev. David de Forrest Burrell, D.D.,
1325 Walnut Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

My dear Burrell,

Thank you for the book reviews. Now as to the matter of the union with the U. P. Church, I rather regret that I sent forth the editorial which was done without very careful thought. I discover that an editor cannot make utterances freely for they are put in print and not scattered in the air. I had not looked at the basis of union at all. My ancestors were in the U. P. Church and I have had much fellowship with them and it has been delightful. More and more I am coming to doubt the propriety of the union on the basis specified. I supposed that they would come as others have come on the basis of the Standards as they are. I hope that I can become informed well enough to announce a change in position. In general I am against union and have so stated and I was led to this writing largely through sentiment.

I sincerely hope you will accept your election to the Presbyterian Publishing Company and I assure you that the editor and you will be agreed on most questions that come up. I had the privilege of placing you on the Princeton Board of Directors while I was chairman of the nominating committee for which you perhaps will not give me thanks but I like your general attitude exceedingly. My tenure of this position is to be brief. I am confident that another and perhaps more efficient editor should be found and my resignation is in the hands of the directors any day they want it. I will give it with little feeling or grievance of any sort. So, I hope you will send Mr. Monro your acceptance which will be a long step I think toward the uniting of conservatives which step is absolutely essential if we are to get anywhere. The liberals win all the time because we are so divided and not only divided but in some instances filled with bitterness and hate. The situation in Philadelphia is deplorable. Conservatives are very much divided and, therefore, are less and less effective.

How about Denver? I am deeply interested. We will print the letter concerning the Council.

Yours most cordially,

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February 29, 1932

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,
1217 Market St.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

There is one matter that weighs on me so heavily that I must write you about it before I can send my formal acceptance to Mr. Munro. Not long ago you had a short article or editorial concerning union with the U. P. Church; and in it you signified your approval of union on the proposed basis. If I recall your statements correctly, you said you had given the plan as printed only a hasty reading. I am wondering if you have not changed your mind on looking the papers over more carefully. Not only does the plan incorporate every proposal against which we are fighting now - such as closed courts, "missioners," and the like - but, in effect, it proposes union not on the basis of our Standards but on that of the revised Standards of the U. P. Church. Myself, I do not object as strongly as some others to the explicit articles of their Confessional Statement; but I do object with all my heart to the preamble. According to that preamble, it is not necessary for an ordained man to believe in the Standards at all, as long as he is not belligerent in opposition.

It is impossible to avoid this inference. And this being so, I am one of many conservatives who must oppose union on these terms. Which is why I write you. For if the "Presbyterian" is going to favor union on the present terms, I do not believe you want me on the Board. We are all for union; but it ought to be on our terms, not on those of Dr. Naugher and his committee who drew up the preamble. I hope you feel as I do, for I want to

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serve with you.

Most sincerely,

David DeForest Burrell

P.S. If you can print the enclosed among your letters from correspondents I shall be grateful.

D.D.B.